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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/028,514; Filed: February 23, 1998
For: **Serum-Free Mammalian Cell Culture Medium, and Uses Thereof**
Inventors: Gorfien *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.4110002/RWE/GER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Claim For Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) In Utility Application;
2. A certified copy of priority document PCT/US97/15296;
3. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (*in duplicate*);
4. Form PTO-1449 (2 sheets);
5. Copies of the following documents: AB5, AC5, AD5, AP2, AR23, AS23, AT23, AL3, AR24, AS24, and AT24; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

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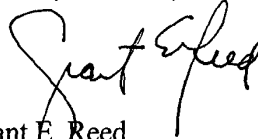
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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 24, 1999 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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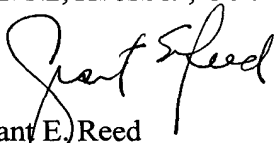
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Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this pleading is enclosed.

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